

Ameritech with information on NXX issues to begin root cause analysis of the situation and the steps necessary to correct any problem. A copy of the information faxed by MFS on January 27, 1997 is attached. Ameritech Michigan is investigating based on this information. Ameritech Michigan believes some of the problems described by MFS are a result of MFS' unilateral decision to move a prefix code (NXX) to different locations in Illinois.

4. "Reciprocal Compensation"

The situation described by MFS does not in any way involve a "unilateral change" in the economics of doing business in Michigan; this is a blatant red herring. On September 12, 1996, the Commission issued an order in Case No. U-10860, which stated in relevant part:

"Finally, until local call termination charges are implemented for all local traffic [specifically, EAS traffic from independent LECs], no such charges shall be made to competing providers. In that manner, the nondiscriminatory requirements may be given effect."

Based on its understanding of that order, Ameritech Michigan sent a letter to MFS and other carriers initiating an interim suspension of reciprocal compensation arrangements. As acknowledged by MFS, after subsequent discussions between the parties and clarification from the Commission, within approximately 11 days, Ameritech Michigan advised MFS that, as requested by MFS, Ameritech Michigan would not suspend reciprocal compensation arrangements between the parties. No suspension was ever initiated, and there was never any impact on MFS' economics of doing business in Michigan.

5. "Fiber Splice"

Initially, it should be noted that the collocation points referenced by MFS were ordered in October 1994. MFS had not proceeded with their fiber cable placement until July 1996 to complete these collocation sites.

At the Troy-Somerset location, MFS did not have their fiber cable to the specified meet manhole at the time MFS contacted Ameritech in July 1996. Ameritech Michigan could not proceed until MFS had completed this work. This partially contributed to the delays and subsequent rescheduling. Ameritech's records indicate that on August 7, 1996, MFS was ready for the splicing to occur. The splicing was completed on August 31, 1996.

At the Troy-Main location, Ameritech completed the requested work on August 21, 1996. This site required additional central office work to meet MFS' requested riser cable requirements. Furthermore, Ameritech spent 1.5 days troubleshooting the fiber splice at MFS' insistence that Ameritech had improperly spliced the cables. The Ameritech technician subsequently determined that MFS' fiber cable was "open" at splice locations within MFS' own cable. Thus, MFS' own network problems contributed to delays in providing service at Troy-Main.

6. "Ameritech's Term Products"

MFS' contention on this issue is somewhat confusing. Ameritech does provide volume and term discounts to retail customers, and those volume and term discounts are available to resellers at a wholesale discount. It appears MFS is suggesting that it should be entitled to obtain volume and term discounts without making any volume and term commitment, apparently because such a commitment would be inconsistent with MFS' marketing strategy. Such an absurd interpretation is not mandated by any law or Commission requirement.

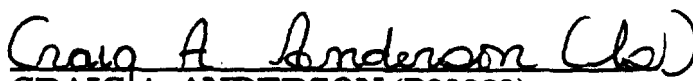
MFS also appears to be contesting the Commission's prior determination rejecting the demand for a "fresh look;" i.e., an abrogation of existing valid contracts between Ameritech Michigan and its customers. Once again, the Commission already addressed that issue clearly and succinctly when it rejected such a proposal in Case No. U-10647. See Ameritech Michigan's response to Brooks Fiber, January 15, 1997, p. 5.

CONCLUSION

Significantly, MFS has not identified any instance where Ameritech Michigan is not offering the interconnection services and unbundled network elements mandated by the competitive checklist in the federal Act. To the extent that MFS has identified operational issues, Ameritech Michigan will continue to work with MFS to address concerns through the business relationship between the parties and, if necessary, the dispute resolution procedures in the interconnection agreement between the parties as approved by the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

AMERITECH MICHIGAN


CRAIG A. ANDERSON (P28968)
444 Michigan Avenue, Room 1750
Detroit, Michigan 48226
(313) 223-8033

DATED: January 31, 1997

**MFS Now Offering Local Telephone Services Over Its Own Fiber Network
In Detroit**

DETROIT, May 29 /PRNewswire/ -- MFS Communications Company, Inc. (MFS) announced today that it is now offering a full range of local, facilities-based telephone services over its 103-route-mile, fiber-optic network in the greater Detroit metropolitan area.

"We're committed to delivering personalized customer service and tailored communications solutions, supported by our reliable state-of-the-art network facilities, to Detroit-area businesses of all sizes," said Ronald Beaumont, president and CEO of MFS North America. "Our customers rely on us to be the single point-of-contact for their telecommunications needs. This gives them the freedom to focus on what they do best -- growing their businesses."

MFS Intelenet, a unit of MFS, has been providing resale-type local telephone services to over 1,000 customers in Detroit since 1991, and greatly expands its presence in the greater metropolitan Detroit area, with this end-to-end service offering over MFS' network.

MFS Intelenet offers one-stop shopping for communications services to medium and small businesses. It provides local telephone service, domestic and international long-distance service and a variety of enhanced services -- voice mail, calling card, 800/888 number services, customized billing and management reports.

Since September 1995, MFS Telecom, another operating unit of MFS, has been serving large business and government customers in Detroit by providing critical fiber links directly from a customer's location to long-distance carriers or to other customer locations. MFS Telecom is now also offering its customers local telephone services over MFS' fiber-optic network.

Last week, MFS and Ameritech signed a landmark interconnection agreement that covers Ameritech's five-state region, including Michigan. This is the first agreement between a Regional Bell Operating Company and a facilities-based competitor, which seeks to satisfy specific requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

MFS is a leading provider of communication services for business and government. Through its operating subsidiaries, MFS provides one-stop shopping for integrated local and long-distance services as well as a wide range of high-quality voice, data and other services and systems specifically designed to meet the requirements of business and government customers. MFS' common stock is traded on Nasdaq under the symbol MFST. MFS is headquartered in Omaha, Nebraska.

/CONTACT: Josh Howell or Claire Dunnett, 708-218-7332, or Investor Relations, Gary Brandt, 402-231-3432, all of MFS/ 14:52 EDT

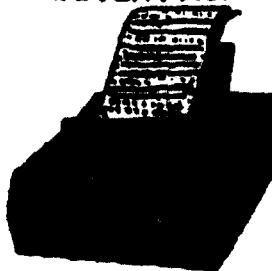
0233 05/29/96 14:52 EDT :TICKER: MFST KPS.XX :SUBJECT: CNGL TLCH NPRD MI NE

Copyright (c) 1996 PR Newswire Received by NewsEDGE/LAN: 5/29/96 2:23 PM

**WORLD
COM**

1 TOWER LANE, SUITE 1600, OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL 60181: Phone: 630/203-7200
Fax: 630/203-0569

COVER PAGE



Date: 1/27 1997

Number of Pages (including cover): 5

TO:

Dr. Morgan

COMPANY:

Ameritech

NUMBER:

312-335-2927

FROM:

Richelle Jeter

FAX NUMBER:

630/203-0569

PHONE NUMBER:

630-203-7020

COMMENTS:

Please call if you don't receive all pages.

*Please call me once you've
received this information
Thanks Joe. Richelle*

Consolidated List of Customers with MFS NXX Issues

1.
Calling from: 708-424-XXXX (Evergreen Park)
Calling to: 708-918-XXXX (Homewood)
Comments: Told this was a Toll call

2.
Calling from: 630-262-XXXX (Geneva)
Calling to: 630-998-XXXX (Geneva)
Comments: Told by Ameritech Operators that their new MFS exchanges were considered toll (Area B) phone calls.

3.
Calling from: 313-284-2111
Calling to: 313-674-0586

Comments: The following information was told to the customer... "The numbers are so new that information operators may not have them in their data base..." "No such exchange in the 313 area. (629) Not in the Ameritech data base."

4.
Studio City, CA Calls
Studio City, CA (818-980-XXXX)
Calls to: 818-742-0501

Comments: Calls cannot be completed ...

Calls to: 818-638-0501
Comments: Call works to Glendale

5.
El Segundo, CA
El Segundo, CA (310-726)
Calls to: 310-953-0501 -
Comments: Fax Busy

Calls to: 310-765-0501
Comments: Can't be completed as dialed

6.
Passport Users:
Calling from: 810-642-XXXX
Calling to: 810-365-XXXX

Comments: Receiving the LD error message, "You must first dial a one"

7.
Calling from 810-775
Calling to: 810-819

Date: January 27, 1997
Page 1

Jan-30-97 12:14P

P.05

Comments: Treated as toll Calls

8.

Calling from: 313-729-8461

Calling to: 313-749-0040

Comments: They dial 7 digits and receiving call that they cannot be completed as dialed.

Date: January 27, 1997
Page 2

R-95X

01-30-97 12:20PM P005 218



444 Michigan Avenue
Room 1750
Detroit, MI 48226
Office: 313-223-8033
Fax: 313-496-9326

Craig A. Anderson
Counsel

January 31, 1997

Ms. Dorothy Wideman
Executive Secretary
Michigan Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 30221
Lansing, MI 48909

Re: MPSC Case No. U-11104.

Dear Ms. Wideman:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced case is an original and fifteen copies of the Ameritech Michigan's Third Supplemental Information Filing.

Very truly yours,

Craig A. Anderson (ls)

Enclosure

cc: All Parties of Record

CAA:jkt

MPSC
FILED

JAN 31 1997

COMMISSION

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION
JAN 31 1997

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter, on the Commission's own motion,)
to consider Ameritech Michigan's compliance) Case No. U-11104
with the competitive checklist in Section 271)
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.)
_____)

**AMERITECH MICHIGAN'S THIRD
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FILING**

Ameritech Michigan submits the following additional information in
this proceeding:

Letters and statements (in addition to those filed on
January 24, 1997 in Ameritech Michigan's second
supplemental information filing) sent to the FCC in
connection with Ameritech Michigan's application
pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of
1996 to provide in-region, interLATA services in
Michigan.

A list of such letters and statements is listed on Exhibit A-1 attached
hereto. Copies of such letters and statements are also attached.

Respectfully submitted,

AMERITECH MICHIGAN

Craig A. Anderson (ls)
CRAIG A. ANDERSON (P28968)
444 Michigan Avenue, Room 1750
Detroit, Michigan 48226
(313) 223-8033

Dated: January 31, 1997

**Exhibit A-1 to Ameritech Michigan's
Third Supplemental Filing
in Case U-11104**

Page 1 of 1

	Last Name	First Name
1	Bennett	Loren N.
2	Bercaw	Allan M.
3	Brackenridge	Robert L.
4	Cherry, Jr.	John D.
5	Cockrel, Jr.	Kenneth V.
6	Crumb	Robert T.
7	Ellis	Arthur E.
8	Fitzgerald	Frank M.
9	Fly	Daniel J.
10	Griffin	Michael J.
11	Hertel	Curtis
12	Hodge	Doris J.
13	Ikola	Kay L.
14	Krueger	Richard
15	London	Terry
16	McNamara	Edward H.
17	Olshove	Dennis
18	Quarles	Nancy L.
19	Rivas, Jr.	Armando
20	Sewell	Jon
21	Thornton	Robert
22	Wells	Steven W.



THE SENATE
STATE OF MICHIGAN

LOREN N. BENNETT
6TH DISTRICT
700 BOX 3000
LANSING, MICHIGAN 48208-7535

PHONE: (313) 379-3000

TELE: (313) 379-0043

January 14, 1997

CHAIRMAN, NATURAL RESOURCES
AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS
VICE CHAIRMAN, FINANCIAL
SERVICES
MEMBER, LOCAL, URBAN AND
STATE AFFAIRS

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Mr. Hundt:

I am writing you in support of Ameritech's efforts to enter the long distance market within Michigan. On January 2, 1997, Ameritech filed a petition with the Federal Communications Commission seeking permission to enter the long distance market under Section 271 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, for the purpose of providing in-region long distance telecommunication services in Michigan.

By allowing Ameritech to enter this market, I believe we will be moving in an appropriate direction, that of true competition in the local and long distance markets. Over the last half dozen years, the cost to consumers for basic long distance services offered by the major long distance providers has continued to rise, while the industry average for local access charges has steadily dropped. It is also worth noting that during the same time frame, Ameritech's local access charges have remained considerably below the industry average. With the major long distance companies now entering the local market, it would only seem fair to allow a Regional Bell Operating Company the opportunity to provide long distance service.

With consumers demanding more choices, expanded services and better customer service, the logical decision of providing more options in the marketplace seems appropriate. Providing more competition and customer choices will ensure that Michigan remains competitive with the rest of the nation in state of the art telecommunications products and services.

In summary, I would like to urge the Federal Communications Commission to allow Ameritech to enter the long distance market in Michigan for the reasons described above. Thank you for your time and consideration in addressing this very important issue.

Sincerely,

Loren N. Bennett
State Senator
Michigan Senate

cc: Mr Donald J. Russell, U.S. Department of Justice

LNB:bj



January 17, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hunt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20554

WARREN CAMPUS

27500 DEQUINDRE RD.
WARREN, MI 48092

810/558-8700

NORTH BLDG.
FAX 810/558-4697

SOUTH BLDG.
FAX 810/558-7868

Dear Mr. Hundt,

I am writing you to express my support for the Ameritech Section 271 filing to provide long distance service in Michigan.

As the Computer Information Systems Curriculum Coordinator for the Detroit College of Business in Warren, Michigan, I am very interested in the current and future state of the communications industry. In a global economy, schools and universities have an increasingly important stake in the availability of and access to competitively priced, innovative services. Access to such services provides today's instructors with a vital set of new tools with which to expand the world of information for our students.

Of particular significance today are the various distance learning technologies. Through these applications, students have access to research, information and other students from around the state and world. At a time when other communications companies which bundle local and long distance services are entering the marketplace in Michigan, I am concerned to note that Ameritech is unable to provide long distance services. From my experience, Ameritech has done more for education in this state than any other communications company. Yet, at a time when distance learning applications are increasingly important to the educational community, Ameritech is unable to provide the needed long distance services which support many distance learning applications.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Your support for Ameritech's filing would go a long way toward expanding the service options which are of growing importance to the educational community.

Sincerely,

Allan M. Bercaw

MAIN CAMPUS
313/581-4400
FAX 313/581-6822

FLINT CAMPUS
810/789-2200
FAX 810/789-2266

AACE
ADULT ACCELERATED
CAREER EDUCATION
313/562-8600
FAX 313/562-8819

cc. Mr. Donald J. Russell, DOJ
The U.S. Department of Justice
Telecommunications Task Force Anti-Trust Division
8205 555 4th Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20001



79TH DISTRICT
ROBERT L. BRACKENRIDGE
STATE CAPITOL
LANSING, MICHIGAN 48913
PHONE: (313) 373-1400
FAX: (313) 373-0300
January 29, 1997

House of Representatives
State of Michigan

COMMITTEES:
LOCAL GOVERNMENT, CHAIR
TAX POLICY
TOURISM AND RECREATION

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Chairman Hundt:

As a State Representative from a Michigan border county, the residents in my district are exposed daily to competition from the nearby states of Indiana and Illinois. Competition for their banking, their shopping, and the companies for which they work. Michigan prides itself on creating policies which foster a competitive atmosphere and I am honored to be a member of the legislative body responsible for shaping these policies.

With that in mind, I would like to express my support for Ameritech Michigan's application to enter the long-distance market. Competition has proven to be the cornerstone of our economy, leading to greater consumer choice, lower prices, and higher quality of service. Allowing another contender into the long-distance telephone market can only help the industry to continue bettering itself and provide consumers with the lowest cost possible for this service.

I would urge your thoughtful consideration of the Ameritech Michigan application for long-distance market entry. We count upon the FCC's thorough review of this application as an indicator not only of an expanding long-distance market, but also as a sign that competition within the local telephone service industry in Michigan exists and will continue to grow with the same success for the industry and the consumer that has occurred elsewhere within the telecommunication industry.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If I, or my colleagues in the Michigan House of Representatives, can be of any future assistance on this issue, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Representative Bob Brackenridge
State Representative
79th District



**SENATE
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

**JOHN D. CHERRY, JR.
SENATE MINORITY LEADER**

**CAPITOL BUILDING
LANSING, MI 48913**

January 28, 1997

**The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW
Washington, DC 20544**

Dear Mr. Hundt:

As Michigan's Senate Minority Leader, I enthusiastically support Ameritech's Section 271 filing to provide in-region long distance service in Michigan. Once approved, Michigan will finally have competition in the long distance market, added choice, and enhanced customer service as envisioned by both the Michigan and the Federal Telecommunications Acts.

Currently, there are 14 companies such as AT&T, MCI-Metro, and Brooks Fiber, etc., that have been licensed to provide local service in Michigan. Ameritech has fulfilled its 14 point interLATA "checklist" and therefore should be allowed to provide long distance service as well.

Michigan has always been at the forefront with its state-of-the-art communications technology. By granting Ameritech's 271 application, it will continue to create new and improved services enabling Michigan to continue to attract and retain business and satisfy its current customers' needs.

Once again, I offer my heartfelt support to Ameritech's Section 271 filing and strongly urge your thoughtful consideration of their request.

Sincerely,

**John D. Cherry, Jr.
Senate Minority Leader**

JDC/dk

Wayne County Commission

KENNETH V. COCKREL, JR.
COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5

CHAIR:
YOUTH AT RISK TASK FORCE
PUBLIC SAFETY & JUDICIARY

VICE CHAIR:
COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

MEMBER:
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
VETERAN'S AFFAIRS
WAYS AND MEANS
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

WAYNE COUNTY BUILDING
600 RANDOLPH, SUITE 400
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

(313) 224-6888
FAX (313) 224-6188

January 24, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Chairman Hundt:

On January 2, 1997, Ameritech Corporation officially requested permission to provide long distance service to its residential customers. The addition of Ameritech to the current list of long distance carriers would be a positive move that should result in consumers receiving quality service and competitive rates.

I strongly support this measure and hope you will to. Again, I believe it would be something of benefit for Michigan residents. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kenneth V. Cockrel, Jr.

Kenneth V. Cockrel, Jr.
Wayne County Commissioner
District 5

cc: Donald J. Russell
Telecommunications Task Force



January 16, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M. Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Mr. Hundt:

The Rural Emergency Medical Education Consortium (REMEC) was established in 1993 as a non-profit consortium made up of eleven hospitals in northern Michigan. Our main objective is to use telecommunications technology to link twenty counties in northern lower Michigan providing emergency and health related education via interactive video.

REMEC supports Ameritech's filing under Section 271 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 to provide in-region long distance service in Michigan. We urge the FCC to act on the approval of Ameritech's application. We believe this would allow them to directly respond to requests from customers like REMEC for added choices of expanded and innovative services. REMEC members would benefit from the increased competition through service and pricing.

Respectfully,

Robert T. Crumb
REMEC Chairperson of the Board
Healthshare Group/Northern Michigan Hospital

cc: Mr. Donald J. Russel
Telecommunications Task Force, Anti-Trust Division
The U.S. Department of Justice
8205 - 555 4th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001



ARTHUR E. ELLIS
Superintendent
of Public Instruction

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

P.O. Box 30008
Lansing, Michigan 48909

January 30, 1997

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dorothy Boardman
Clark Dumas
Barbara Roberts Mann
Monique Yvonne McGuire
Warren E. Meyer
Robbie M. Struss
Sharon A. Wise
Gary L. Wofford

GOVERNOR JOHN ENGLE
27 Office

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Chairman Hundt:

As the State Superintendent of Education for the State of Michigan and former Director of the Michigan Department of Commerce, I have been watching the telecommunications industry closely. This industry has a substantial impact on our educational community as well as on our state's commerce, and this role is growing by leaps and bounds.

In 1995, the Michigan Legislature passed the Michigan Telecommunications Act and the Governor signed it into law. This statute enables telecommunications competition in the Michigan marketplace. As a result of this progressive legislation, the Michigan Public Service Commission has granted 14 competitive local licenses to telecommunications companies. Allowing Ameritech to enter the long distance market is consistent with the efforts made in Michigan over the last six years. Increased competition in the local and long distance markets will bring expanded services, and it is time to move forward and enable competition to work.

I am convinced that Ameritech has met all of the legal and regulatory requirements set forth by the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and I urge you to approve Ameritech's application. Your positive action will bring benefits to all citizens of Michigan from our classrooms to our boardrooms.

Sincerely,

Arthur E. Ellis

cc: Donald J. Russell
United States Department of Justice



FRANK M. FITZGERALD

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
P.O. BOX 30014
LANSING, MICHIGAN 48909-7514
(517) 373-0853

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
71ST DISTRICT
EATON COUNTY

MEMBER OF COMMITTEES ON:
OVERSIGHT AND ETHICS, CHAIR
JUDICIARY AND CIVIL RIGHTS
INSURANCE

January 24, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW
Washington, DC 20544

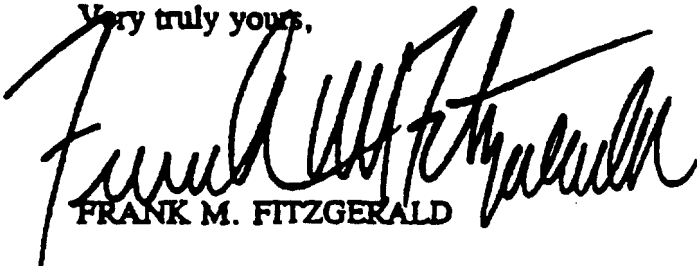
Dear Mr. Hundt:

I write to support Ameritech's application to offer long distance service to its customers in the state of Michigan.

The Michigan legislature has passed and since reauthorized telecommunications reform under Michigan law. A hallmark of our statute is a belief that competition should occur in the provision of local telephone service. I believe that the constituents whom I represent are best served by having as many options as possible, not only for local service, but also for long distance service. Many providers makes for lower rates and better service for everyone.

I trust that Ameritech's application will receive every consideration by the Federal Communications Commission. Should it meet the criteria which the commission members have established for approval, I hope that your action will be quick and favorable.

Very truly yours,



FRANK M. FITZGERALD

FMF:sls

cc: Mr. Donald J. Russell, U.S. Department of Justice Telecommunications Task Force



January 16, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M. Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Mr. Hundt:

This letter is in support of Ameritech's filing under Section 271 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 to provide in-region long distance service in Michigan. We would request the FCC act swiftly to approve Ameritech's application.

The Rural Emergency Medical Education Consortium (REMEC) was established to provide a distance learning network for twenty counties in Northern Michigan. REMEC, a non-profit consortium, has membership of eleven hospitals. REMEC's mission is to enhance the delivery of emergency medical and health related education in rural northern Michigan through telecommunication network technology.

REMEC membership feels the approval of Ameritech's filing would increase competition in local and long distance services in Michigan. A great part of our annual budget is in the telecommunication expense area and with increased competition we would hope to see more aggressive pricing to customers.

Respectfully,


Daniel J. Fly
REMEC Director

cc: Mr. Donald J. Russel
Telecommunications Task Force, Anti-Trust Division
The U.S. Department of Justice
8205 - 555 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001



**House of Representatives
State of Michigan**

**REPRESENTATIVE
MICHAEL J. GRIFFIN
64TH DISTRICT—JACKSON**

STATE CAPITOL BUILDING
P O BOX 30014
LANSING, MICHIGAN 48908-7514
PHONE AREA 517—373-1785

January 23, 1997

**The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M. Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20544**

Dear Mr. Hundt:

As a state representative who has served on the House Telecommunications Committee, I support Ameritech's filing to provide in-region long distance service in Michigan. I have served in the Michigan Legislature for over 24 years, and during that time have found Ameritech to be a company of high integrity and a provider of quality service to the citizens of Michigan.

Combining the benefits of the Michigan Telecommunications Act and the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 has created an environment in Michigan for competition to flourish. By approving Ameritech's application you will allow our citizens to continue to have greater choices and take advantage of the new products and services that are emerging from this exciting industry.

I urge your thoughtful consideration of Ameritech's request.

Sincerely,

**MICHAEL J. GRIFFIN
State Representative
64th District-Jackson**



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Curtis Hertel
2nd District

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20544

Michigan House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Lansing, Michigan 48913
Phone: (517) 373-1961

January 19, 1997

Dear Honorable Hundt:

This letter is being written in support of Ameritech's filing under Section 271 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 to provide in-region long distance service in Michigan. By allowing Ameritech to enter the long distance market, an increase in competition for both local and long distance services within the state would result, providing better and expanded customer services and greater choice to the residents of Michigan.

It is this competition that will ensure the quality, state-of-the-art communications infrastructure that is needed for a strong, growing economy. The only way to continue meeting the increased needs of consumers would be to grant approval of Ameritech's petition under Section 271.

Ameritech has proven to be an asset to the state of Michigan in a number of ways. They have over 30,000 current and retired employees within the state. The number will surely continue to grow once the application has been approved, providing much needed jobs to the residents of my state. Ameritech has currently and consistently met all of the legal and technical requirements and regulations thus far put forward by both the Federal and Michigan Telecommunications Act.

These few reasons alone warrant enough cause to justify why Ameritech's petition should be approved, so it is here once again. That I ask for serious consideration to be given to Ameritech's request to begin providing in-region long distance service to the state of Michigan.

Thank you for your sincere attention to this issue. I will be available to discuss in detail an aspect of this letter should you desire. I look forward to hearing your decision.

Sincerely,

Speaker Curtis Hertel
Michigan House of Representatives

cc:
Mr. Donald J. Russell



Metropolitan Detroit Alliance of Black School Educators

Post Office Box 02339 • North End Station • Detroit, Michigan 48202

EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS

President
Deborah D. Hester-Harvill

President-Elect
Freddie B. Carter-Benson

Recording Secretary
Catherine Gray

Treasurer
William M. Butcher

Chairpersons, Board of Directors
Henry L. Cude

Business Manager
Doris J. Hodge

Member at Large
Arthur O'Brien

REPRESENTATIVES
Superintendents
David Porter

Higher Education
Bernice Hall

High Schools
Josephine Hughes

Middle Schools
Henrietta Stringer

Elementary Schools
Yvonne Walker

Teachers
Lorraine Richardson

General Services
Patricia Doherty

Public Relations
Andrew Masier

Planners
Barbara Crosby

Program
Thomas L. Watson

Conference
Sharon L. Harvill

Legislation/Political Action
Johnnie Priddy
Membership
Earl Doss

Parliamentarian
Thomas L. Burton

Past President
Edwin Robinson

FAST PRESIDENTS

Paul Martin
Edward Crosby
Alma Gray
Perry Williams
David Matthews
Helen Cleaver
Thomas L. Burton
Barbara L. Doss

PAST CHAIRPERSON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

James Woodruff
Charles Johnson
Waldo Smith
Alma Gray
Perry Williams
James Cowan
Joel Mackin
Barbara L. Doss
Betty Davis
Josephine B. Miller
Dwight Lottin
Freddie B. Carter-Benson

January 20, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear Mr. Hundt:

This letter is designed to convey my support for approval of Ameritech's application to offer in-region long distance service in the state of Michigan in accordance to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. It is my understanding that this will mark the first time a local service provider has opened up its network and met the requirements for full competition as mandated under the Act.

Approval of this application will result in increased competition leading to new services, lower prices, greater choices and more jobs.

I urge you to act without haste to ensure that the hometown team (Ameritech) be given the same opportunities as MCI, AT&T and the other long distance carriers.

Sincerely,

Doris J. Hodge, Ph.D.
Business Manager

cc: Donald J. Russell
Telecommunications Task Force



The Information Center, Inc.

• The Family Resource Place •

15100 Northline Rd., Suite 175

Southgate, MI 48195

• (313) 282-7171 • TDD (313) 282-7184 • FAX (313) 282-7105

January 17, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW
Washington DC 20544

Dear Chairman Hundt:

I am writing to express my support of competition in the telecommunications marketplace and of Ameritech's recent filing to provide in-region long-distance service in Michigan. True competition is the best friend of consumers and I urge your thoughtful consideration of the Ameritech application.

With full competition in local and long distance services in Michigan, consumers can expect lower prices and more choice. Michigan residents will also benefit from the new jobs created as companies expand their products and services.

Sincerely,


Kay L. Ikola
President

admin\corres\ameritech.kli

cc: Mr. Donald J. Russell
Telecommunications Task Force, Anti-Trust Division